



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 142/003/PCT; 03-766)

PATENT

In re Application of: Light et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/582,492 ) Before the Examiner: J. Switzer  
Filed: March 6, 2002 ) Group Art Unit: 1634  
For: Detection of Human Papilloma )  
Virus in Papanicolaou (Pap) Smears )

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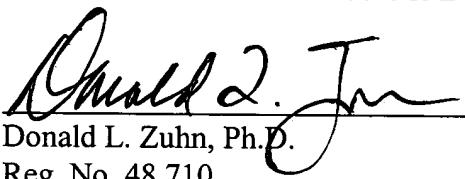
Sir:

**PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants request a Two-Month Extension of Time to respond to the Official Action mailed January 22, 2004. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of \$420.00 for an Extension fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Dated: June 22, 2004

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